

USDA Weekly Retail Turkey Feature Activity

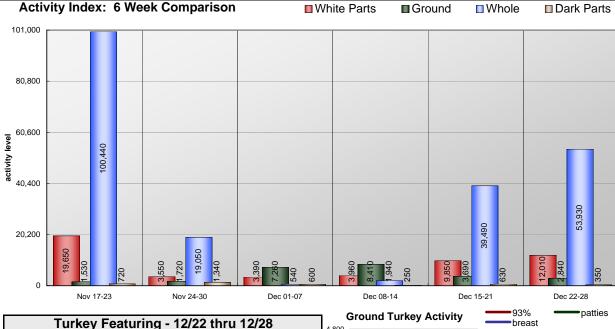
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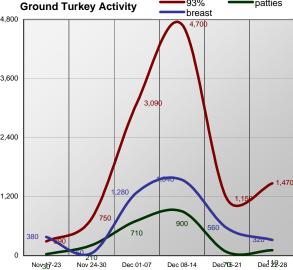
in the new year.

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NATIONAL SUMMARY												
	THIS	WEEK	LAST	WEEK	LAST YEAR							
Feature Rate 1/	90.4%	of 17,000	76.9% (of 17,000	89.7% of 16,700							
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Special Rate 4/	5.8%		6.2%		3.5%							
Activity Index 2/	69	180	53,840		71,880							
3/	Stores	Wtd Avg	Stores Wtd Avg		Stores Wtd Avg							
WHOLE BIRDS:												
Fresh - Hens	16,210	1.21	9,880	1.22	15,870	1.16						
" - Toms	16,060	1.20	9,870	1.22	15,870	1.16						
Frozen - Hens	10,970	0.86	9,790	0.86	13,350	0.92						
" - Toms	10,690	0.86	9,950	0.85	13,240	0.92						
PARTS:												
Breast:												
Bone-in, whole												
Fresh	3,340		1,810		3,820	2.15						
Frozen	6,280	1.56	5,710	1.48	5,510	1.35						
Hotel Style												
Fresh	80		20									
Frozen	10	1.59	130	1.59								
Split, bone-in												
Fresh	20	2.48	20	2.54								
Rotisserie	1,980	7.95	1,240	6.65	1,950	6.64						
Boneless, whole			30	3.99	20	3.69						
Cutlets	90	3.99	380	3.99								
Cutlets, thin sliced			250	4.70								
Strips												
Tenders	210	3.91	260	3.92								
Marinated Tenders	50	3.99	110	4.16								
Drumsticks	20	1.17										
Thighs												
Wings	30	1.22	10	1.27								
Necks	20	1.17										
Smoked Drumsticks	140	1.59	310	1.79								
Smoked Wings	140	1.59	310	1.79	170	1.58						
Smoked Necks												
GROUND TURKEY:	2,840	2.54	3,690	2.61	2,080	2.56						
Patties	110	2.41	70	2.44	430	2.46						
Sausage	730	2.48	1,760	2.48	510	2.57						
85% lean	210	1.52	150	1.45	280	1.58						
93% lean	1,470	2.41	1,150	2.30	570	2.40						
Breast	320	3.97	560	3.96	290	3.93						
Rolls (frsh/frz 1 lb.)			70	1.00								



With the holiday weekend upon us, retail turkey featuring is having its last hurrah for 2006. Whole bird turkey promotion is equivalent to a year ago despite fierce competition from competing meats. Ad prices for fresh are up a nickel, on average, from last year but down about the same on frozen. Turkey breast featuring is slightly more active for frozen than last year and at a higher average price. Fresh breast prices are about steady through the period. Store rotisseries are spinning overtime with a sharp rise in rotisserie breast ads and at higher average price levels. Other breast cuts and dark parts are featured sporadically. Ground turkey promotional activity is up from last year led by 93% lean. Average feature price is almost identical to last year. Turkey featuring can be expected to diminish sharply in the next two weeks and return



All report information gathered from publicly available sources including store circulars, newspaper ads, and retailer websites.

1/1: FEATURE RATE: the amount of sampled stores advertising any reported turkey item during the current week, expressed as a percentage of the total sample. 2/1: ACTIVITY INDEX: a measure of the absolute frequency of feature activity equal to the total number of stores for each advertised turkey item (e.g., a retailer with 100 outlets featuring 3 turkey items has an activity index of 300).3/1: STORES/AVG: the total number of advertising outlets and the weighted average price weighted by the respective number of outlets. 4/1: SPECIAL RATE: the percentage of sampled stores with a no-price promotion (e.g., buy 1, get 1 free, etc.)

Note: rolls not included in ground fresh ground turkey total and weighted average.



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	EASTERN U.S. (CT,DC,DE,FL,GA,MA,MD,ME,NC,NH,NJ, NY,PA,RI,SC,VA,VT,WV)			CENTRAL U.S. (AL,AR,IA,IL,IN,KS,KY,LA,MI,MN,MO,MS,ND, NE, OH, OK,SD,TN,TX,WI)			WESTERN U.S. (AZ,CA,CO,ID,MT,NM,NV,OR,UT,WA,WY)				
Feature Rate 1/					88.1% of 5,200 sampled outlets			91.8% of 3,900 sampled outlets			
Special Rate 4/	0.7% of stores w/ no-price promotions			12.3% of stores w/ no-price promotions			7.7% of stores w/ no-price promotions				
Activity Index 2/	Activity Index = 35,450			Activity Index = 17,510			Activity Index = 16,220				
	Price Range Summary		V	Price Range Summary			Price Range Summary				
	(\$/pound)		Vtd Avg	(\$/pound)		Vtd Avg	(\$/pound)		Vtd Avg		
WHOLE BIRDS:	, , ,		<u>-</u>	, , ,		-	` `				
Fresh - Hens	0.89 - 1.68	8,520	1.18	0.98 - 1.69	3,910	1.24	0.99 - 1.69	3,780	1.25		
" - Toms	0.89 - 1.68	8,510	1.17	0.98 - 1.69	3,910	1.24	0.99 - 1.69	3,640	1.24		
Frozen - Hens	0.57 - 1.29	5,450	0.92	0.57 - 1.39	3,440	0.88	0.38 - 1.29	2,080	0.70		
" - Toms	0.57 - 1.29	5,220	0.91	0.57 - 1.39	3,410	0.87	0.39 - 1.29	2,060	0.68		
PARTS:											
Breast:											
Bone-in, whole											
Fresh	1.69 - 2.99	1,830	2.17	1.69 - 2.79	510	2.04	1.99 - 2.79	1,000	2.15		
Frozen	0.98 - 1.99	3,550	1.50	0.79 - 1.99	1,690	1.63	1.59 - 1.69	1,040	1.65		
Hotel Style											
Fresh	1.99	80	1.99								
Frozen	1.59	10	1.59								
Split, bone-in											
Fresh	1.99 - 2.69	20	2.48								
Rotisserie	7.99	180	7.99	4.99 - 7.99	310	7.40	6.99 - 9.99	1,490	8.06		
Boneless, whole								,			
Cutlets	3.99	90	3.99								
Cutlets, thin sliced											
Strips											
Tenders	3.91	210	3.91								
Marinated Tenders	3.99	50	3.99								
Drumsticks	1.17	10	1.17	1.17	10	1.17					
Thighs											
Wings	1.17 - 1.29	20	1.24	1.17	10	1.17					
Necks	1.17	10	1.17	1.17	10	1.17					
Smoked Drumsticks	1.59	140	1.59								
Smoked Wings	1.59	140	1.59			l					
Smoked Necks											
GROUND TURKEY:											
Patties	2.27 - 2.49	110	2.41								
Sausage	2.32 - 2.92	270	2.43	2.74	20	2.74	2.49 - 2.50	440	2.50		
85% lean				1.49 - 2.00	80	1.66	1.43	130	1.43		
93% lean	1.99 - 2.80	710	2.44	1.99 - 2.62	200	2.31	2.39 - 2.40	560	2.40		
Breast (99-100% lean)	3.69 - 3.99	320	3.97								
Rolls (frsh/frz 1 lb.)						l					

A full breakdown of supermarket promotions featuring turkey and other poultry for Christmas and Hanukkah will be available on December 22, 2006 on our website at:

www.ams.usda.gov/poultry/mncs/Holiday%20Ads/HolidayAds.htm

This report provides a detailed breakdown of supermarket holiday promotions by region, state, and grocery chain including brand names, prices, and any special conditions for whole turkeys, turkey breasts, turkey dinners, roaster chickens, capons, cornish hens, ducklings, geese, baking hens, poultry-based broth and gravy, shell eggs and egg nog.

This and all of our other holiday promotions reports are also available in spreadsheet format. Please contact us at the number/e-mail address below to receive the spreadsheet files.

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